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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF BRITISH DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION ACCOUNT
OF IVOR RICHARD'S COMMENTS TO THE PRESS AS HE WAS LEAVING
OCT 29 MORNING MEETING OF RHODESIAN CONFERENCE.

BEGIN TEXT

MR. RICHARD SPOKE TO THE PRESS AS HE LEFT THE PALAIS DES NATIONS
AFTER THIS MORNING'S FORMAL SESSION. HE DESCRIBED THE SESSION
AS A QUOTE ENCOURAGING START TO WHAT IS A DIFFICULT JOB UNQUOTE.
HE ADDED QUOTE I WAS EXTREMELY IMPRESSED WITH THE TONE OF THE
SPEECHES, WITH THE MODERATION OF THE STATEMENTS, WITH THE CON-
STRUCTIVE NATURE OF WHAT THEY HAD TO SAY, AND WITH THE ATMOSPHERE.
TO BE FRANK, IT WENT VERY MUCH BETTER THAN I FEARED IT WAS
GOING TO GO UNQUOTE.

ASKED ABOUT THE ADJOURNMENT UNTIL NEXT WEEK, HE EXPLAINED THAT
TIME WOULD BE TAKEN TO CONSIDER THE OPENING SPEECHES. QUOTE I
WILL HAVE BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH EACH DELEGATION. THINGS
ARE GOING QUICKER THAN I HAD ORIGINALLY EXPECTED, SO PERHAPS WE
WILL MEET EARLIER NEXT WEEK THAN I HAD ANTICIPATED UNQUOTE.
WE HAD BEEN IMPRESSED THAT QUOTE EVERYBODY HAD COME SERIOUSLY,
PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE UNQUOTE. QUESTIONED ABOUT DISCUSSION OF
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THE KISSINGER PLAN, MR RICHARD EXPLAINED THAT DELEGATIONS

CONCENTRATED ON PUTTING OVER THEIR OWN POSITION.

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